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## Public Act No. 21-158

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND BYLAWS OF THE MILITIA UNITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 27-79 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2021*):

[Each organization of the armed forces of the state shall make bylaws for its government, which shall be binding on its members when approved by the regimental or corresponding commander and the Adjutant General; and all fines and dues imposed by such bylaws may be collected in accordance with such procedure as the Adjutant General may, by regulation, prescribe, provided notice shall be given to any delinquent of the incurrence of any fine or dues within thirty days of the date when the same has been incurred and notice may be given collectively of such fines or dues or both. The commanding officer of the organization shall be the president of the association created in the bylaws, except that, if two or more organizations combine in one association, the senior commanding officer shall be president. The treasurer shall be elected from the enlisted personnel of the organization or, if two or more organizations combine, from among the enlisted personnel of one of the organizations. The treasurer of each such organization shall give a bond to such organization in an amount

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satisfactory to the Adjutant General. The premium on such bond shall be paid by such organization.] The Governor shall determine the organizational structure of the militia units pursuant to section 27-14. Each militia unit shall be composed in a manner consistent with National Guard or federal military units of similar composition, size and purpose. The Adjutant General may adopt bylaws and regulations and issue orders and circulars for the administration of the militia units.

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